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## Sen. Gilbert: "Michigan on road to using more renewable fuels"

**LANSING** – Sen. Jud Gilbert issued the following statement today as his bill to promote and encourage the use of renewable fuels in Michigan was signed into law:

"Michigan has taken a step forward on the road to developing and using more renewable fuels and becoming more energy conscious. Promoting the use of renewable fuels such as ethanol and biodiesel will help our agricultural industry compete globally and will have other states looking to Michigan as an example of how to harness these energies.

"This is just one piece of a multi-faceted approach the Legislature is taking to help Michigan's long-term energy needs. We are continuously meeting with energy experts to craft legislation that will continue to propel Michigan's technologies. We are anxiously awaiting a report later this year detailing recommendations for Michigan's future."

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